

NEWS FROM COMMISSIONER LIZ STEFANICS
DISTRICT 5 - SANTA FE COUNTY
JANUARY 10, 2012

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION SUMMARY



**Santa Fe County is Seeking Citizens to Serve
on the Santa Fe County Development Review Committee
(CDRC)**

Committee Members are responsible for attending monthly public hearings where CDRC members listen to County staff recommendations, project application presentations, and testimony from the public. The CDRC subsequently makes land development related decisions and recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). Projects heard by this committee range from variance requests to master plans for large subdivisions. For more information contact Shelley Cobau, (505) 986-6223, scobau@santafecounty.org

Application Deadline is January 31, 2012

Santa Fe County Ethics Board Seeking Members

The Santa Fe County Ethics Board consists of five members who are appointed by the Board of Commissioners (BCC). Members shall not be affiliated with County government in any capacity, including, but not limited to, employment (including employment for which the salary is in any way funded by or through the County), appointment, election, or serving as a volunteer. Members of the County Ethics Board may not hold elected public office or office with any political party within the County.

The Ethics Board has the power to issue administrative subpoenas compelling the attendance of witnesses at hearings and production of documents, as well as the authority to seek enforcement of those subpoenas by the First Judicial District Court.

If the Board finds an elected or appointed official or County volunteer violated any provision of the Ordinance, it can impose penalties including a civil fine of as much as \$300, a written censure, or refer its findings to the County Manager or District Attorney for further action.

Each member shall serve a two-year term, subject to reappointment thereafter.

For more information, contact Lisa Roybal, (505) 995-2761
lroybal@santafecounty.org

Application Deadline is Friday, January 20, 2012

Thanks, Liz

Here is a summary of the actions taken by the Santa Fe Board of County Commission. All five of the Commissioners were present.

The Commission approved the consent calendar and the minutes from the November 29, 2011 Board of County Commissioners meeting were approved.

MATTERS FROM THE COMMISSION

- A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to establish a task force in conjunction with Pojoaque Pueblo and the Pojoaque Public Schools to cooperate on and seek possible funding for community recreational fields was approved.
- Commissioner Mayfield introduced a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding snow removal for school buses on Pueblo of Nambe roads. This item was tabled for future consideration.
- A Resolution was passed urging the State Legislature to amend section 7-38-34 NMSA 1978 to properly reflect the imposition of the property tax rate set by the NM Department of Finance and Administration and not by the County Commission.
- A Resolution was passed (4-1 with Commissioner Anaya voting against) urging the State Legislature to strengthen NM driver's license laws regardless of immigration status.

APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

The following committee and board appointments for the upcoming year were made:

- **Buckman Direct Diversion:** Commissioners Holian and Stefanics; alternate, Commissioner Mayfield
- **Extraterritorial Land Use Authority:** Commissioners Anaya, Holian, Mayfield, Stefanics; alternate, Commissioner Vigil
- **Metropolitan Planning Organization:** Commissioner Mayfield
- **Economic Development:** Commissioner Mayfield; alternate, Commissioner Vigil
- **North Central Regional Transit District:** Commissioner Holian; alternate, Commissioner Mayfield
- **Regional Coalition of LANL Communities:** Commissioner Mayfield
- **Regional Planning Authority:** Commissioners Holian, Mayfield, Stefanics, Vigil; alternate, Commissioner Anaya
- **Santa Fe Solid Waste Management Authority:** Commissioners Holian, Vigil, Mayfield; alternate, Commissioner Anaya
- **Investment Committee:** Commissioner Stefanics; alternate, Commissioner Holian
- **National Advisory Committee for National Forest Land Management Plan** (pending application): Commissioner Holian

All five Commissioners serve on the Hospital and Health Care Board (Indigent Board), Housing Authority, and the Board of Finance

GROWTH MANAGEMENT

Authorization to publish title and general summary was granted for the following:

An Ordinance changing the affordable housing ordinance. Highlighted items include: to lessen the major subdivision requirement from 30 percent to 15 percent and providing more alternatives for compliance. This item is available on the Santa Fe County website www.santafecounty.org under Hot Topics.

FINANCE

The audited comprehensive financial report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011 was presented and is available on the County website at

www.santafecounty.org/finance/financial_reporting.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Authorization to publish title and general summary was granted for the following:

An Ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of a water project fund loan/grant agreement between the New Mexican Water Trust Board, The New Mexico Finance Authority and Santa Fe County. The loan/grant agreement is for the sole purpose of financing the costs of planning, designing and implementing a Vegetative Management and Bank Stabilization Plan on the Rio Quemado

PROCUREMENT

A waiver of Ordinance 2010-8 was unanimously granted to allow continued use of the state contract to purchase food for the Senior Services Program.

LEGAL

The annual Open Meetings Act Resolution establishing notice for all County meetings, passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- CDRC Case #V 11-5240, Dale McDonnell Variance – approved (District 3)
- BCC Case #MIS 11-5390, Legal Tender Restaurant Liquor License – approved (District 4)
- CDRC Case #V 11-5320, Mauricio Solis Variance of Family Proper – approved (District 3)
- BCC Case #MIS 09-5071, Santa Fe Opera Master Plan Extension – approved (District 2)

All BCC meetings are broadcast live at www.santafecounty.org, Comcast Channel 28 and Que Suave AM 810. To view recorded video of this BCC meeting, go to http://santafecounty.org/video_on_demand/ or check GOV TV Channel 28 listings. Approved transcripts of this meeting will be available within 10 working days of approval at www.santafecounty.org.

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